(b) whether the foundation has taken prior permission of the Government/Reserve Bank of India to collect such fund; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) Government has seen the news item.

(b) Under Foreign Exchange Regulation Act (FERA), 1973, no permission of the Ministry of Finance/Reserve Bank of India is necessary for collecting such funds.

(c) Does not arise.

Ban on recruitment in Banks

3832. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether new recruitment has been stopped in all the Nationalised banks in Orissa despite the fact that large number of posts are still lying vacant;

(b) if so, the number of posts lying vacant in different branches of nationalised banks in Orissa;

(c) the reasons for banning recruitment in Banks; and

(d) the steps taken to fill up those vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Banks are permitted to create/fill up posts, including those lying vacant in Orissa subject to the norms stipulated for their staff expansion.

Promotion of electronic industry in Rourkela

3833. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal under their consideration to promote electronics industry in Rourkela;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken in that regard;

(c) whether some entrepreneurs have sought Government's permission to set up electronics units at Rourkela; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b) The Department of Electronics is promoting the use of electronics in the process industries in Rourkela. Training programmes and workshops are held on the applications of electronics and computers in steel and fertilizer plants at Rourkela. Training facilities are being established at the Rourkela Steel Plant to cater to the needs of steel and fertilizer industry personnel. The Department of Electronics is playing a key role in helping these industries in Rourkela to plan and use electronics in their modernisation programmes. Technical reports are prepared and funds are also released for taking up specific project at these plants. Manufacturers, academic institutions and consultancy organisations are also brought together with the industry to contribute the over-all promotional measures for electronics industry in Rourkela.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Amount allocated by LIC, GIC for housing Schemes

3834. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated by LIC and GIC to State Governments for implementing various social housing schemes in 1985-86 and in 1986-87; and

(b) the amount sanctioned as loan by LIC and GIC to State Government of Andhra Pradesh to implement those schemes in 1985-86 and 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI):

Year	Amount (Rupees in Crores) LIC	GIC
(a) 1985-86	65·73	20
1986-87	70·47	20
(b) 1984-85	8·13	2·50
1986-87	8·89	2·80

Promotions in the I.D.A.S. and M.L. & C. S.

3835. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of officers considered by Departmental Promotion Committees and recommended for promotion to the Junior Administrative Grades including non-functional Selection Grades, in the IDAS and ML&CS Service during 1986 and 1987;

(b) what is the criteria and attributes for selection of such officers for being placed in the non-functional Selection Grade;

(c) whether there has been any change in the criteria for selection in the year 1987, as compared to the year 1986 and earlier;

(d) if so, what are the salient features thereof;

(e) what are the reasons for changing the criteria; and

(f) what is the number of officers considered and included in the promotion lists of the two Grades during the last five years, year-wise, in the above services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) As regards IDAS, no Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) was held for promotion to the Junior Administrative Grade (JAG) in 1986. A DPC was, however, held in 1986 for promotion to the non-functional selection grade of this service. The DPC considered five officers and recommended all of them for promotion. No DPCs for promotion to the above grades have been held so far in 1987.

No DPC meetings have been held for promotion to the JAG or to its selection grade for the IDES (Previously known as ML & CS) during 1986 and 1987.

(b) to (d) Up to 1-1-86 the criteria was that officers who were stagnating at least for 2 years at the maximum of the Junior Administrative Grade pay scale were eligible for promotion to the non-functional selection grade of the IDAS and IDES Services. The promotions were made on the basis of seniority subject to rejection of the unfit. However, as per the revised Government orders issued on 14-8-87 an officer will become eligible for promotion to the non-functional selection grade only when he has entered the 14th year of service on 1st July of the year calculated from the year following the year of examination on the basis of which the officer was recruited. Further the promotions will be made by selection on merit with due regard to seniority.

(e) The reasons for changing the criteria for the selection grade of the Junior Administrative Grade is the Government's policy which is based on recommendations of the 4th Pay Commission.

(f) There have been no regular promotions of the IDES officers to these Grades during the last 5 years due to various court cases. However, the position in regard to the IDAS is indicated in the following table.